

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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SUPPORT PRICE FOR LINSEED CROP IN M.P.
LAXMINARAYAN PANDEY

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government of Madhya Pradesh has been requesting the Union Government for many years to announce the support price for linseed crop;
- (b) if so, the reasons for not announcing the support price therefor so far;
- (c) whether the Government propose to announce the same this year; and
- (d) if not, the reasons for such a long delay?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHRIPAD Y. NAIK)

(a) to (d): Yes, Sir. The Government of India received a proposal from the Government of Madhya Pradesh for fixing the Minimum Support Price (MSP) of linseed in 1999. The case was examined and was found not feasible to agree to the proposal on grounds that the production of linseed is localized in nature and MSPs are being fixed for the commodities having All India importance in terms of area and production.